



**Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation
Allston, MA**

Project Title	Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation
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AFI Grant Amount	\$59,353
Nonfederal Support	\$59,353
Project Period	September 2001 – September 2006
Highlights	Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation (ABCDC) is expanding its existing AFI Project to offer 48 IDAs for homeownership, microenterprise, and post-secondary education. The match rate varies across sites and is up to \$5,000 in participant savings over a 12-24 month period. Beyond core training, services include employment support, childcare, structured planning exercises, mentoring, credit repair, and specialized financial education, among others.
Target Population	Families in Boston (and Empowerment Zone), Lawrence (an Enterprise Community, which will additionally target women and youth), and Holyoke in Western Massachusetts.
Grantee/Collaborative Description	ABCDC, a Community Development Corporation, is the lead agency. IDAs are offered through the MIDAS Collaborative, a statewide network of agencies providing self-sufficiency support to targeted participants. ABCDC dispenses AFI subgrant funds to other organizations throughout Massachusetts. MIDAS manages the Master Reserve account which holds federal money for all of the sub-grantees. People's Federal Credit Union, Lawrence Savings Bank, Wainwright Bank & Trust, and Peoples Bank are holding participant IDA savings.